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STATE & LOCAL NEWS

◆ WHO CARES ABOUT THOSE MONUMENTS

Stanley and Harriel Blair of Athens recently took their seven-year-old grandson, Carter Epps, to the nation's capitol to tour the historical sites there. But Carter was much more interested in a Polaris Sling Shot he spotted parked in front of a museum. Stanley asked the owner if he would let Carter sit in the sporty



car. The owner made Carter's day when he invited him to climb in. Carter says that was the highlight of his visit to Washington.

(Photo by Harriel Blair)

National & World News

◆ A Colorado man, Chris Watts, who's accused of killing his pregnant wife and two young daughters has been charged with three counts of murder. Watts also faces counts of unlawful termination of pregnancy and tampering with a deceased human body.

◆ A woman has died from an apparent alligator attack on Hilton Head Island in South Carolina. It happened Monday morning while she walking her dog. If confirmed, it would be the first documented fatal alligator attack in decades in South Carolina.

◆ COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

✓ English and Spanish language learners are invited to attend English-Español Conversation Night this Thursday, August 23rd, at 6 p.m. at E.G. Fisher Public Library. The group meets the second and fourth Thursdays of each month to practice their conversational speaking skills.

✓ The Athens Parks Department will be hosting its 6th Annual "Bash for the Cash" Wiffle Ball Tournament this Saturday, Aug. 25th, beginning at 9 a.m. and running throughout the day. The fee is \$10 per player. For details and registration, call the Office of Parks and Recreation at 744-2704.

✓ The McMinn County Election Commission meets at 5:30 p.m. today in the conference room on the ground floor of the courthouse.

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Obituaries

♦ **Mary Elizabeth Gravitt Swafford**, age 92, of Athens, died Sunday at her residence. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home.

♦ **Bobbye Jean Toomey King**, age 80, of Foley, Alabama, died last Friday. She was a native of McMinn County and graduated from McMinn County High School in the Class of 1956. She and her husband, Roy, worked for 42 years with Hardaway Construction Company. They called Wilmington, N.C., their home. A celebration of life will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Laycock-Hobbs Funeral Home, with visitation from 5 to 7 p.m.

♦ **Vera Elizabeth Witt**, age 92, a native and lifelong resident of Athens, died Saturday at her home. She was a former employee of Athens Furniture Company. Funeral services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home in Athens with visitation from 1 to 2 p.m. Visitation by friends will begin after 3 p.m. on Wednesday at the funeral home.



Restaurant Inspection Scores

The following Athens restaurants were inspected between July 12th and August 14th. A score of 70 and above is passing.

MAYFIELD'S ICE CREAM PARLOR - 100

THE DAIRY BARN - 100

CHERYL'S CAKE CORNER - 100

TACO BELL, 1202 DECATUR PIKE - 99

HARDEE'S I-75 - 99

PIZZA HUT - 98

WENDY'S - 98

TASTEE KING DONUTS - 98

APPLEBEE'S - 98

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TODAY IN HISTORY—FEBRUARY 7th

1878 - The American Bar Association was founded in Saratoga, N.Y.

1912 - The first boy reached the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in the Boy Scouts of America program. He was Arthur R. Eldred of Oceanside, N.Y.

1936 - Basketball player Wilt "The Stilt" Chamberlain was born in Philadelphia. He stood 7 feet and 1 inch tall and dominated the record books during his career as a professional basketball player. He died in 1999.

1938 - Singer Kenny Rogers was born. His hit records include "The Gambler" and "Lucille."

1939 - Harold Reid, a member of the Statler Brothers, was born.

1944 - Singer Jackie DeShannon was born. One of her biggest hit records was "What The World Needs Now Is Love, Sweet Love."

1950 - The United Nations moved into its new permanent facilities in New York City on land donated by the Rockefeller family.

1951 - The U.S. ordered construction of the world's first atomic submarine. It was named the "Nautilus" after the vessel in Jules Verne's classic "20-Thousand Leagues Under The Sea."

1959 - Hawaii became the 50th American state and the 50th star on the U.S. flag.